पेट्रोलियम और पेट्रोलियम उत्पादों, खाद्य के तेल आयात में वृद्धि आदि।

(घ) अप्रैल–जून, 1990 के दौरान 9305 करोड़ रुपये के आयात हुए जो अप्रैल–जून, 1989 के दौरान हुए 7773 करोड़ रुपये के आयात की तुलना में 19.7 प्रतिशत अधिक थे।

(ङ) अप्रैल–जून, 1990 में आयात की गई वस्तुओं का अलग-अलग ब्यौरा उपलब्ध नहीं है। तथापि वर्तमान अनुमानों के अनुसार जिन मदों के आयात में वृद्धि हुई है, उनमें शामिल है: पेट्रोलियम एवं पेट्रोलियम उत्पाद, उर्वरक खाद्य तेल, दाले, लौह-धातु अयस्क एवं धातु की कतरनी, अखबारी कागज, अपरिष्कृत रबड़, मशीनरी, कार्बनिक और अकार्बनिक रसायन, रंजक, कमाने की और रंगसज्जा की सामग्री, कृत्रिम रार्ल, प्लास्टिक सामग्री, व्यावसायिक औजार आदि।

Alleged Bungling in the Allotment of Steel

1920. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Steel Authority of India Limited (Delhi Branch) has suffered losses worth crores of rupees due to bungling in allotment of thousands of tonnes of steel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the firms to which steel has been supplied during the past six months by the Delhi branch of SAIL?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) to (c) SAIL, including its Delhi Branch Office supplies materials to a large number of customers in terms of the JPC distribution guidelines.

The question does not make any specific reference to any particular unit or order. On a specific reference being made available from the Hon'ble Member, it should be possible to furnish a reply to the question.

Concession to Exporters

1921. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to extend the scheme for the import of capital goods on concessional rates of duty with export obligation to new exporters;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for widening the scope of the Scheme; and

(c) what has been the impact of these concessions in boosting exports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The scheme for import of Capital Goods at concessional rate of Customs duty of 25% of the value of the imported goods to established exporters has been introduced only recently. It is expected that this Scheme will boost exports considerably. As yet, it is too early to assess the impact.

Measures to make easy availability of Gold to Jewellery Sector

1922. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government propose to take to ensure easy availability of gold in the jewellery sector for export production;

(b) if so, whether any policy in this regard has been worked out by